AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. (Original) A lighting inspection device for carrying out lighting inspection of a display panel, the device comprising:
 - a circuit board having a driving circuit for lighting a display panel;
 - a conductive chassis functioning as a ground potential of the driving circuit; and
 - a conductive member fixed to the chassis for holding the circuit board,

wherein, the chassis and the member are connected via a soft metal.

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- 2. (Original) The lighting inspection device of Claim 1, wherein the soft metal is formed on at least one of facing surfaces of the member and the chassis.
- 3. (Original) The lighting inspection device of Claim 2, wherein the soft metal is so formed that thickness of the soft metal takes a value not less than a summed value of each surface roughness of the member and the chassis.
- 4. (Original) The lighting inspection device of Claim 3, wherein each surface roughness of the member and the chassis represents a respective average roughness.
- 5. (Original) The lighting inspection device of Claim 3, wherein each surface roughness of the member and the chassis represents a respective maximum height of irregularities.
 - 6. (Original) The lighting inspection device of Claim 1, wherein the soft metal contains gold.
- 7. (Original) The lighting inspection device of Claim 1, wherein the soft metal contains silver.
- 8. (Currently Amended) A method of producing a display panel including an inspection step for detecting a defective panel before a driving circuit is mounted on a display panel such that the

display panel undergoes lighting inspection with a use of the lighting inspection device described in any one of Claims Claim 1 through 7.

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- 9. (New) A method of producing a display panel including an inspection step for detecting a defective panel before a driving circuit is mounted on a display panel such that the display panel undergoes lighting inspection with a use of the lighting inspection device described in Claim 2.
- 10. (New) A method of producing a display panel including an inspection step for detecting a defective panel before a driving circuit is mounted on a display panel such that the display panel undergoes lighting inspection with a use of the lighting inspection device described in Claim 3.
- 11. (New) A method of producing a display panel including an inspection step for detecting a defective panel before a driving circuit is mounted on a display panel such that the display panel undergoes lighting inspection with a use of the lighting inspection device described in Claim 4.
- 12. (New) A method of producing a display panel including an inspection step for detecting a defective panel before a driving circuit is mounted on a display panel such that the display panel undergoes lighting inspection with a use of the lighting inspection device described in Claim 5.
- 13. (New) A method of producing a display panel including an inspection step for detecting a defective panel before a driving circuit is mounted on a display panel such that the display panel undergoes lighting inspection with a use of the lighting inspection device described in Claim 6.
- 14. (New) A method of producing a display panel including an inspection step for detecting a defective panel before a driving circuit is mounted on a display panel such that the display panel undergoes lighting inspection with a use of the lighting inspection device described in Claim 7.